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The Story of a Diamond.

One of the largest and finest geme in the world is the Orless diamond, which is among the crown jewels of the Russian Emperor. It is a stone with a strange history,

bought the stone, a Jewish merchant, sold to one Shafras, an astets Armenian, for \$60,000. Shafras had conceived the idea would obtain from the Empress, Catherine the Great, a princely sum for it. How to travel in safet, with the stone, the their of which had of course been discovered and

proclaimed, beceme a grave consideration.

The way in which he solved the problem was remarkable. He made a deep incision in the fleshy part of his left leg, in which he inserted the stone, closing the wound carefully by sewing it up with silver thread. When the wound healed the Armenian merchant set out on his travels quite boldly, and, although more than once apprehended, rigorously searched, and even tortured a little, he was obdurate and firmly denied having the stone in his possession. Having at length reached his dettination, he asked the empress the sum of \$200,000 for the gem, an amount which Catharine was una

ble to raise at the moment. We next find the Armenian at Amsterdam, with the intention of having his diamond cut. Here the stone was seen by Count Oricif, who determined to purchase it for presentation to the Empress Catherine. The sum ultimately paid for the famous gam was about \$350 000 in cash, to the famous gam was about \$350 000 and a patent. ge her with an annuity of \$2 500 and a patent of nobility. Shafras flourished exceedingly, dying a millionaire. Such, in brief, is the story of the Orleff diamond .- Presby terian Times.

Charges Against Egan.

The Philadelphia Ledger prints the following : John Luces, of John Lucas & Cc., paint manufacturers, of Philadelphia, has in his possession a private letter, written on December 19, from Valparaiso, by an American citizen, who represents important business interests of American mer-chants in South America, stating that much of the trouble between this coun'ry and Chili is due to the presence of the American minister, Patrick

"This correspondent." said Mr. Lucas, "his "In 3 correspondent," said Mr. Lucus, "Mrs. been twenty years in South America, and is highly regarded wherever he is known." Mr. Lucus showed the original letter to a reporter of the Ledger. It says: "I flad a most bitter fee ing here against our country, the principal ration being the action of our minister. Parish Even. teing the action of our minister, Patrick Egan.
There is no doubt but that he has grossly misrepresented Chili to our State Department, and was
Balmaceda's best mun, his son holding railroad
contracts under Balmaceda. I don't only fied Chillans against Egan, but Americans, Scotch, Germans, and every good business man I meet says he cught to be recalled, and this American

question settled.

"Naturally, the merchants of other nationalities—French, German and English—see the sizes iton, and are taking every commercial sdwantage they can of the discussioners. Keeping Egan

they can of the treumstates. Are in Eggs there is very much against the business interests of the Urited States.
"The officials I have met questioned mers to my of ition of our ministers's sections, and I was compelled to reply that, if rightly informed, I thought he should be recalled. At this they expressed themselves as particularly well pleasel, and were glad to find some Americans who could realize that their own country, through its min-ister, might be in fault. The situation here has very much improved; busines and exchange are looking up, mines being opened and the people united and happy. The only drawback is this American question. Commercial houses appear to be sound, and, politically, no Balmacoda party

A EURGLAR'S WARM RECEPTION.—' Don't first cars opportunity for a person to engage in a move and you will not be hurt," was the warning a burglar gave Mrs. P. F. Murphy, in Omaha, late Monday night. Reaching street of fifty feet nine incher, and has a double parlor, dining roum, kitchen, five bid rooms and conservatory water, gas and latrob stoves, and is under her pillow Mrs. Murphy grasped a revolver, leveled it at the burglar, and began firing. "My God," he orled, and staggering toward the open window leaped out and escaped, but upon the window sill were clots of blood, and in the yard traces of blood were also found. Afterward the burglar was found in a chrap hotel suffering from two wounds, one bullet having rent and his left lung.

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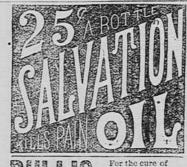
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